

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES

DATE: JANUARY 28, 2014

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: OTHERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS MONROE
DICKINSON
MCDEVITT
MERLINO

LEXIE DELUREY, DIRECTOR OF REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
PAUL DUSEK, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
AMANDA ALLEN, DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD
SUPERVISORS BROCK

COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT:

SUPERVISOR BEATY

FRASIER
KENNY
THOMAS
DON LEHMAN, *THE POST STAR*
SAMANTHA HOGAN, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

Mr. Monroe called the meeting of the Real Property Tax Services Committee to order at 9:32 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Mr. Mc Devitt and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Lexie Delurey, Director of Real Property Tax Services, who distributed copies of the agenda to the Committee members; *a copy of the agenda is on file with the minutes.*

Commencing the Agenda review, Mrs. Delurey presented a request to approve the list of chargebacks and refunds, copies of which were included in the Agenda. She explained that the top five (5) Chargebacks listed were transitions and aggregates missed by the assessors, because of the way they were entered in the system, she added these adjustments needed to be made so that the State of New York could pay on the approved value amount. The rest of the Chargebacks she said, were pilots for the City of Glens Falls, and missed 2012 and 2013 exemptions for the parcels in the Town of Stony Creek.

Motion made by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Mr. McDevitt and carried unanimously to approve the request as presented and the necessary resolution was authorized for the February 21, 2014 Board meeting; *a copy of the request is on file with the minutes.*

Continuing with the Agenda review, Mrs. Delurey reviewed the pending status of Town of Queensbury Parcel NO. 315.-1-9.2, owned by the City of Glens Falls. She explained the Town of Queensbury had applied a tax exemption following which Martin Aufferdou, County Attorney, had sent correspondence to the City notifying that they had to file for the exemption; she added that they had not received a response on the matter. Mr. McDevitt added that he thought this was something Ronald Montesi, former Supervisor of the Town of Queensbury, and Mayor John Diamond, of the City of Glens Falls, had been working on; he advised he would contact the City of Glens Falls for a status update.

Mr. McDevitt inquired about the mistake that was made in regards to the school taxes for the City of Glens Falls. Mrs. Delurey explained her Department served as a processing agent for the School Tax bills using information provided by the school districts. In this case, she advised the information

provided included an error that was not found until after the bills were sent. McDevitt asked if there was any way that an automated system could be used to verify information and prevent this from happening in the future. She replied in the negative, reiterating they used the information they were given. Chairman Geraghty interjected the Real Property Tax Service Staff typically checked with the Town Supervisors to confirm information provided and Mrs. Delurey acknowledged they performed this for Town and County taxes because they are in the County's interest, however, she noted, the same could not be said for the school taxes because the County only acted as a processing agent.

As there was no further business to come before the Real Property Tax Services Committee, on motion made by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Mr. McDevitt, Mr. Monroe adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Samantha Hogan, Legislative Office Specialist